# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has requested to the Union Government for providing financial assistance to the State Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Boards on the basis on National Talent Search Examination and the number of students participated in the Olympiad;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c): Government of Maharashtra had suggested for a scheme of financial assistance as an incentive to State Secondary Education Boards on the basis of performance of students in the National Talent Search Examination conducted by National Council of Educational Research & Training (NCERT) so that State Boards pay more attention to quality. Similarly, they had suggested for a scheme for giving a grant of Rs 5.00 lakhs per student to Higher Secondary Boards whose students are selected to represent India in the Olympiads in Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Botany.

The proposal of Government of Maharashtra could not be supported as there is no such provision under any scheme of the Ministry of Human Resource Development or NCERT.